## **VICTIM RIGHTS**

By Virtue of being a victim, you have certain rights as provided by Article 1, section 35 of the Constitution of Tennessee.

- 1. The right to confer with the prosecution.
- 2. The right to be free from intimidation, harassment, and abuse throughout the criminal justice system.
- 3. The right to be present at all proceedings where the defendant has the right to be present.
- 4. The right to be heard, when relevant, at all critical stages of the criminal justice process as defined by the statute.
- 5. The right to be informed of all the proceedings and the release, transfer, escape, or recapture of the accused or convicted person.
- 6. The right to a speedy trial or disposition and a prompt and final conclusion of the case after the conviction or sentence.
- 7. The right to restitution from the defendant.
- $\boldsymbol{8}.$  The right to be informed of each of the rights established for victims.

## As a victim of Domestic Violence you have the right to:

- 1. Be treated with fairness and respect.
- 2. Be free from violence in your home.
- 3. Leave your home if you are in danger.
- 4. Call the police because domestic violence is a crime.
- 5. Receive emergency medical care if needed.
- 6. Obtain an Order of Protection that will prohibit the abuser from coming near you or contacting you.
- 7. Be notified of the abuser's arrest, court proceedings, and compliance with court orders.
- 8. Receive information about the conviction, sentencing, and/or release of the abuser.
- 9. Receive information about services and agencies that help victims.

The following phone numbers are for your information and convenience in exercising your rights:

Victims of Crime State Coordinating Council - 1-800-289-9018 Statewide Victim Witness Coordinator - (615) 532-5591 Probation and Parole - (615) 741-1150 Tennessee Department of Correction - (615) 741-1000 Ext. 400

Tennessee Department of Correction - (615) 741-1000 Ext. 4006 Tenn. Attorney General (appeals Info only) - (615) 532-1971 District Attorney (Main Office) - (931) 438-1906 TN Domestic Violence HOTLINE 1-800-356-6767

**Emergency Dial 911** 

## LEWISBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT



101 Water Street Lewisburg, TN 37091 (931) 359-4044

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Case Nui	mber:		
Officer:			